



A RELIGIOUS SKIT . . . will be presented by women of the First Baptist Church at the afternoon service for the World Day of Prayer. Those participating are, from left, Mrs. Ray White, narrator; Mrs. Kenny Ruffell, representing Egypt; Mrs. Al Meyer, representing the American Indian; Mrs. Mack Monroe, India; Mrs. Tom Garrison, China; Mrs. John Douglas, migrant worker. Mrs. Charles French will be narrator.

Friday Set Aside As World Day of Prayer in Torrance

Three services in Torrance churches will mark the World Day of Prayer tomorrow, February 25. The community-wide service for women will be held in the old auditorium of the First Baptist Church, 1715 Martina, at 1 p.m. Young people will meet at the noon hour in the

Methodist Church, 1551 El Prado, and business people will have a devotional service from 11:30 to 12:30 in the Central Evangelical United Brethren Church, 1543 Marcellina.

Mrs. Arthur G. Solomon, president of the United Church Women, Torrance Council, is inviting women of all denominations to participate in these services. Mrs. J. F. Cook, of Central Church, is general chairman for the day. Assisting her are representatives of various churches.

The one o'clock service at the First Baptist Church will include a dramatic playlet or pageant and a worship service. Both are based on the theme "Abide in Me," the 1955 text for the world-wide event. Thousands of Christians in the United States and in 128 countries around the world will be united in prayer on February 25, the first Friday in Lent. This is the 69th year of the observance in the United States, with about 19,000 observances expected this year.

Women of the First Baptist Church will present the devotional drama, "The Fruit of the Vine," as the opening of the afternoon service. In the cast are: Mrs. Tom Garrison, director, and Mmes Ray White, Charles French, John Douglas, Mack Monroe, Kenneth Ruffell, Pat Scott, Al Meyers, and Mike Medved.

Representatives of eight churches will join in the worship service to follow. Included will be Mrs. J. B. Mosley, First Christian Church; Mrs. K. B. St. Andrews, Episcopal; Mrs. Irwin Wilson, First Lutheran; Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Walter Stanton, Central E.U.B.; Mrs. Betty Crone, Hope Evangelical United Brethren, Mrs. A. H. Champion, First Methodist, and Mrs. Andrew Beede of

Church of the Nazarene. Rev. C. Miles Northrup of the host church will offer the benediction.

Business people are invited to a devotional hour from 11:30 to 12:30 at the Central Church. Reverend Walter Stanton will be in charge, with special music provided by Mrs. Hilda Findley, organist. Ladies of the church will serve coffee in the Guild Hall under the supervision of Mrs. Jake Groskopf.

High school youth are having their own service from 12 to 12:30 in the First Methodist Church. Leader will be Gene Walker, Methodist church, assisted by Don Kelley and Linda Thistle, First Baptist; Tony Ward, St. Andrew; Nancy Rodgers, First Christian; Ed Hutchinson will play the organ, and Caroline Nelson and Carol Johnson will sing "Sweet Hour of Prayer." Pastors of all churches are helping in these programs.

Worshippers of all denominations are urged to attend the services of their choice. Child care will be provided during the afternoon service.

Many Torrance church people are planning to attend the evening service in San Pedro to be held in the First Methodist Church, 6th and Grand, at 8 p.m. Miss Elsie Ferris will be the speaker. This service is under the sponsorship of the San Pedro Council of United Church Women and is planned for the entire area.

This morning, Thursday, a prayer service in preparation for the World Day of Prayer is being held in St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 1432 Engracia. At 10 a.m., Mrs. Edgar Gilmore of Palos Verdes, will lead the prayer group, and at 11 the Reverend Arthur E. Bello will offer Holy Communion.



OFFERING CONGRATULATIONS . . . to Mrs. W. A. Wright, re-elected to the presidency of the Torrance Council PTA is past president, Mrs. A. B. Cowie who served in 1951-52. Looking on at the left is Mrs. Victor Benard who was council president 1952-53 and at the right another past president, Mrs. Al Turner who filled the office 1949-51. The past presidents were honored at the Founder's Day meeting.

BETSY ROSS
Betsy Ross Club is sponsoring a monthly social gathering at the Masonic Temple, 1321 1/2 Sartori Ave., on Saturday, Feb. 26, at 8 p.m. All members of the Eastern Star Chapter and friends are cordially invited. Mrs. Lois Lougee is hostess for the evening. Refreshments will be served.

Torrance Y-Teen Girls At Y Training Course

Over 100 officers from Y-teen clubs in the Harbor District Young Women's Christian Association gathered for their Semi-annual Officers Training Course at Harbor Junior College. A highlight of the evening was the election of a Centennial Queen with each vote costing 1 cent. Jackie

PeGan of the Casualties was elected queen while Jean Brimley, president of the Torrance Debs came in second with only 7 cents difference. The purpose of the conference took on added significance this year as the Centennial of the Young Women's Christian Association is being celebrated. This time in addition to receiving training in how to carry out their duties, club officers learned more about the YWCA. The color film, "Widening Circle" was shown. This picture showed the early beginnings of the Association, the work in the foreign field, as well as the latest developments in the Association in this country.

The girls who attended from Torrance were: Jackie Zittle, Bonnie Clifford, Conchita Elorriaga, Carol Perry, Diane Janssens, Diane Bledsoe, Adrienne Aselin, Maryann Rurak, Kathleen Wright, Joanne Mincicar, Mary Lou Farquhar, Donna Walker, Jean Brimley, Dee Gibson, Pat Pierce, Judy Nash, Sandra Gish, Dana Cecil, Beth Ladd, Arlene Lesar, Kathy Curtis, Betty Walker, Sandra Post, Judy Vanderpool, Sharon Blakeley, Bonnie Fletcher, Pat Jordan, Sally Nicholas, Diane St. Martin, Marleen Svensson, Jerry Rusk, Beverly Oaks, Joan Jernigan, Carmen Sandstrom, Karen Hester, Betty Yoshiaka,

YWCA Birthday Gift Fund Drive is Now Underway

Mrs. M. M. Schwab, Centennial gift chairman for the Torrance area, reported to the Torrance branch committee on the progress being made in raising the \$5,000,000 birthday gift fund by the YWCA throughout the country. The quota for the Harbor District YWCA, of which Torrance is a part, is \$12,500, of which \$2711 has been raised. The Torrance branch has pledged to raise \$3000. To date \$100 has been turned in.

Gifts of all sizes are being received from members and friends of the association. Small groups of members called triangles are meeting together in homes and at the YW Building for fellowship and to make plans for fund-raising. Participating in the membership triangles are members of the Y-teen clubs and also several "mystery women," non members who are interested in helping. Each group has a goal to raise. Triangle leaders are Mmes. H. Glen Babcock, Arle Blackman, William C. Boswell, Rufus Sandstrom, P. M. Crossman, Kenneth Clutter, Minnie Solomon, Thomas Westfall, A. E. Palmer, Marry Smith, Paul Shinoda, Joseph Rogan, W. T. Randall, Ralph Davis, Warren Hamilton, L. A. McCoy, and Miss Pauline Greer.

Many people are assisting those leaders, including all members of the YWCA staff. Others helping are Mmes. John Parks, Robert Evans, Maud Obarr, Grover Van Deventer, F. E. Inman, Miles Booth, Walter Silence, J. R. Patrick, Kenneth Figgins, and Bernard Lee.

Purpose of the fund drive is to raise a sufficient reserve fund so that only the income will be used and that may be a source of expanding the YWCA in community associations through additional help from national, expanding the student work and the work overseas.

B'nai B'rith Meet Tonight

This evening at the Gardena Community Center, 1561 Market St., Gardena, at 8:30 p.m., commemoration of Brotherhood Month will be observed by the South Bay B'nai B'rith Women when they will hostess a panel of foreign exchange students, who are currently attending Pepperdine College.

They are: narrator, Glenn Sanders, political science student; Abdullah Kazanzadek of Iran; and Enrique Conguidanos of Spain.

This is one of the events planned by the Men's Lodge and Women's Chapter, which is designated as a joint meeting, of which there will be other such joint sessions during the year. Since this is an open meeting, the public is welcomed. Refreshments will be served.

Spring cleaning is now in order as the B'nai B'rith Women's Annual Rummage sale will be held Saturday, March 5 at

FAMILY REUNION AT UKEN HOME

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Uken, 1517 Beech Ave., entertained thirty-four relatives at a family reunion last Sunday at their home complimenting Mrs. Uken's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Smith of Springfield, S.D. A pot luck dinner was served in the afternoon. Relatives were present from Long Beach, Garden Grove, Long Beach, Compton and Los Angeles. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are spending several weeks in Southern California.

109th and Main Streets in Watts. Articles needed, besides clothing, are jewelry, kitchen utensils and baby items. Anyone who can donate for the sale may take items to the following locations: 1318 W. 161st, Gardena; 15303 Denver Ave., Gardena; 17303 Glenburn, Torrance; 1624 Greenwood, Torrance. Proceeds from this sale will be distributed among the various B'nai B'rith philanthropies.

ASSIST WITH BLOODMOBILE

Torrance branch of American National Red Cross once again assisted the Los Angeles chapter at the Bloodmobile stationed at the Civic Auditorium Monday, Feb. 14. Beginning at 3 and closing at 7:30 p.m., volunteers processed 265 persons; 21 were rejected, but an "over the quota" 242 pints were received.

Volunteers assisting Mrs. Gordon Jones, blood bank chairman, were Mmes. William Cochran, David McMillan, Emorie O'Day, Joe Miles, William Coburn, Miles Hamilton, W. Walton, Earl Brest, Leo McMillan, Blandford Moyer, Walter West, Axel Martinson, John Stoddard, canteen chairman, M. B. Millar, Earl Miles, T. T. Babitt and Junior Red Cross volunteer Miss Terry Akers.

Volunteers of the Torrance Moose Lodge assisted in loading the bloodmobile truck, Guy Hight, of the Civic Auditorium, was commended for his assistance.



OFF ON TRIP to the Helms Bakery where they toured the plant and had luncheon are, from left, Mrs. Thomas Jenkins, Mrs. L. Nelson, Mrs. Louis Davis, Mrs. Selma Christensen, Mrs. George Clay, senior regent; Mrs. Dorothy Smith, junior regent, and Mrs. Leo Johnson. Several cars were in the caravan for the day's outing.

CLASS ENJOYS 'AFRICA' LUNCH

On Wednesday, Feb. 9, during the noon hour Mrs. John Strom's sixth and seventh grade classes were served an African "Chop" luncheon. The classes have been on an imaginary trip to the continent of Africa, visiting various countries, constructing a native-style hut, and viewing pictures. Among the speakers visiting the class were Mrs. Mary Miller, kindergarten teacher at the school, who lived for 13 years in Durban, South Africa, and Dr. H. Markham, Torrance school medical doctor, a former missionary to Angola. The teacher, Mrs. Strom, and her husband Mr. John Strom, now vice-principal of North Torrance Elementary School, were residents in Liberia, West Africa. Mothers who assisted Mrs. Strom were Mrs. Meie Brown, Mrs. Leo Christian and Mrs. Glenn Parks.

INTERNATIONAL CLUB MEETING

International Woman's club will meet this evening at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Thomas Clinkenbeard, 908 Maple Ave. Games will be played and plans made for the children's Easter party. A membership drive is now underway and foreign-born women of the area are invited to join. The purpose of the club according to Mrs. Clinkenbeard is "to foster good fellowship, to give foreign-born people an opportunity to meet people from their home country and to take an active part in the community." Any interested person is asked to contact Mrs. Clinkenbeard.



PHYLLIS MOORE DANCE STUDIO

BALLERINAS: Pictured from left to right: Christi Sharp, Pamela Sibley, Cathy Farrell and Gwynne Mayberry, demonstrating dancing techniques. Now open, the Phyllis Moore dance studio brings to Gardena area the finest in dance training, teaching ballet, toe, tap, acrobatic, and ballroom techniques of famous dancing instructors. Miss Moore studied for many years with Marge and Gower Champion, world renowned dance team. She also studied and danced with Maria Tallchief, foremost American ballerina. The new studio specializes in ballet techniques of Ernest Belcher, famed American ballet master. No registration fee is required. All classes are accompanied by a pianist. Phyllis Moore Dance Studio is located at 4068 Redondo Beach Blvd., (one block west of Prairie). Phone numbers to call are FR 9-0987 or DA 9-6638.—Adv.

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